

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5      An image forming apparatus includes a power supply that is not turned off even in power saving mode. The power supply continues to supply electric power to one or more sensors detecting the status of the apparatus and to an interface with a network. Thus, while power supply to such loads as a scanner unit, an image processing unit and a printing unit is turned off, respective sensor values in the image forming apparatus can be reported to an external communication terminal.